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Waiver Structure Work Group Meeting Tuesday, 11/15/22 from 10:00AM - 12:00PM Held via: Zoom Webinar

Attendance: Jessica Gorton BDS Facilitator; Chad Alden; Shannon Kelly; Deborah DeScenza, Michelle Donovan; Pan Dushan; Krista Gilbert; Renee Fisher; Lenore Scuito; Jenn Pinneo; Drew Smith A&M; Alecia Ortiz A&M; Stacey Rosenzweig A&M; Denise (CART)

Note: Members of the public who joined as attendees in listen-only mode are not included in this list.

Please reference the corresponding slide presentation for the detailed agenda, including topics and themes covered in the meeting and corresponding takeaways and applicable action items.

Major Topics and Themes	Key Discussion Areas
Housekeeping	 On 11/7, BDS shared 8 drafts of service definitions with the group for review. Drafts included: Respite services, homemaker services, remote supports and monitoring, assistive technology, vehicle modification, home environmental modifications, specialized medical equipment and supplies, interpretation and translation services Received some feedback and will review with group
Review of complete service definition drafts	 Home mods/EMODS The Group agrees that it is applicable to EFC arrangements and noted the importance to review various funding avenues for this service Respite The Group noted the importance of clarifying who is eligible for respite services, which may mean amending the definition
Review of in-progress service definition drafts	 Remote supports and monitoring This is an additional service that leans into technology to provide support. It was noted that inclusion of internet services is a strong point of advocacy with CMS. The Group noted that access to this, due to internet availability, may not be available for all in New Hampshire.

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	 The Group suggested wording change to say training
	must be provided.
	 Additional aspects of this service were discussed
	including:
	 How this would work with overnight supports
	 Potential linkage of this service with CSS
	 How the state would bill for this service and 24/7 support
	 How this service would support individuals with
	complex support needs
	 Flexibility of this service in audio/video
	monitoring in bathrooms for individuals with
	specific medical needs (e.g., seizure disorders)
	 Provider qualifications required for this service
	 Overall, the Group would like the definition of this service tailored to New Hampshire and would like it
	added to the overall service array
	Support Broker Services
	 Support Broker Services The Group was provided with a high level definition of
	this service and was reminded that it is intended to
	help families manage their self-directed program. The
	team attempted to create a definition that did not
	include overlapping functions for other positions that
	are important to self-direction.
	 The Group discussed various aspects of this service
	definition and its implementation including:
	 Importance of budget education
	 What initial proposed meaning is of support
	brokers 'providing assurances' that they will
	provide services
	 Suggestions of qualifications and requirements
	for providers of this service
	 Suggestions for updating limits of this service
	 The Group would like to take this draft service
	definition back to the PDMS committee to review.
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Next Steps	on assignments (if any) and next steps.